CITY OF HARTLEY INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORTS BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS

JUNE 30, 2007

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CITY OF HARTLEY

<u>OFFICIALS</u>

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Independent Auditor's Report

To the Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council Hartley, Iowa

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, the business type activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of City of Hartley, Iowa, as of and for the year ended June 30, 2007, which collectively comprise the City's basic financial statements listed in the table of contents. These financial statements are the responsibility of City of Hartley's management. Our responsibility is to express opinions on these financial statements based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with U.S. generally accepted auditing standards and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinions.

As described in Note 1, these financial statements were prepared on the basis of cash receipts and disbursements, which is a comprehensive basis of accounting other than U.S. generally accepted accounting principles.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective cash basis financial position of the governmental activities, the business type activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of City of Hartley, Iowa, as of June 30, 2007, and the respective changes in cash basis financial position for the year then ended in conformity with the basis of accounting described in Note 1.

In accordance with Government Auditing Standards, we have also issued our report dated December 14, 2007, on our consideration of City of Hartley's internal control over financial reporting and our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, grant agreements, and other matters. The purpose of that report is to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing and not to provide an opinion on internal control over financial reporting or compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with Government Auditing Standards and should be considered in assessing the results of our audit.

Budgetary comparison information on pages 21 through 22 is not a required part of the basic financial statements, but is supplementary information required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board. We have applied certain limited procedures, which consisted principally of inquiries of management regarding the methods of measurement and presentation of the supplementary information. We did not audit the information and express no opinion on it.

City of Hartley, Iowa, has not presented Management's Discussion and Analysis that accounting principles generally accepted in the United States has determined is necessary to supplement, although not required to be part of, the basic financial statements.

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise City of Hartley's basic financial statements. We previously audited, in accordance with the standards referred to in the second paragraph of this report, the financial statements for the four years ended June 30, 2006 (which are not presented herein), and expressed unqualified opinions on those financial statements which were prepared in conformity with an other comprehensive basis of accounting. Other supplementary information included in Schedules 1 through 5 is presented for purposes of additional analysis and is not a required part of the basic financial statements. Such information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in our audit of the basic financial statements and, in our opinion, is fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the basic financial statements taken as a whole.

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December 14, 2007

CITY OF HARTLEY STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES AND NET ASSETS - CASH BASIS AS OF AND FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2007

	Program Receipts				Net (Disbursements) Receipts and Changes in Cash Basis Net Assets							
			Ch	narges for	Co	Operating Grants, ontributions, d Restricted	Cor	Capital Grants, stributions, Restricted		vernmentai	Business Type	
	Dis	<u>bursements</u>	1	Service		Interest		Interest	£	<u>vetivities</u>	Activities	Total
Functions/Programs:												
Governmental Activities									۵.			~
Public safety	\$	320,624	\$	68,046	\$	13,734	\$	51,553	S	(187,291)	\$ -	\$ (187.291)
Public works		157,003		12,821		144,437		-		255	-	255
Culture and recreation		171,010		24,353		9,955				(136,702)	•	(136,702)
Community and economic development		204,248		-		•		99,670		(104,578)	-	(104,578)
General government		77,679		-				•		(77,679)	-	(77,679)
Debt service		55,580		*	-,,		, 		****	(55,580)		(55,580)
Total governmental activities		986,144		105,220		168,126		151,223		(561,575)		(561,575)
Business type activities												
Water		258,835		217,365		-		***		19,1	(41,470	
Sewer		300,568		197,798		-		-		-	(102,770	•
Electric		1,374,675	j	.067,013		-		•		<u></u>	(307,662	(307,662)
Gas		969,149	Ì	1,043,166		-		-		**	74,017	74,017
Solid waste		90,823		121,538		-		-		- ,	30,715	30,715
Consumer deposit		17,977		18,180		~		-		-	203	203
Cable	~	126,385		117,230		*				-	(9,155	(9,155)
Total business type activities		3,138,412	2	2,782,290	/		**********				(356,122	(356,122)
Total	\$	4,124,556	\$ 2	2,887,510	5	168,126	\$	151,223		(561,575)	(356,122	(917,697)
General Receipts:												
Property tax levied for:			,									
General purposes										331,406	-	331,406
Tax increment financing										51,597	~~	51,597
Local option sales tax										133,908	~	133,908
Unrestricted interest on investments										78,496	115,925	194,421
Special assessments										8,751	•	8,751
Miscellaneous										8,880	-	8,880
Transfers										(127,276)	127,276	MC
Total general receipts and transfers										485,762	243,201	728,963

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CITY OF HARTLEY STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES AND NET ASSETS - CASH BASIS AS OF AND FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2007

Exhibit A (Continued)

		D				Net (Disbursements) Receipts and Changes in Cash Basis Net Assets			
	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	~	Program Receip Operating Grants, Contributions.	Capital Grants, Contributions,	******	Changes in	Cash Basis Ne	EL ASSEIS	
		Charges for	and Restricted	and Restricted	Go	vernmental	Туре		
	Disbursements	Service	Interest	Interest	£	Activities	<u>Activities</u>	<u>Total</u>	
Change in cash basis net assets					\$	(75,813)	\$ (112,921)	\$ (188,734)	
Cash basis net assets beginning of year						1,266,595	2,313,186	3,579,781	
Cash basis net assets end of year					S	1,190,782	\$ 2,200,265	\$3,391,047	
Cash Basis Net Assets									
Restricted: Streets					\$	287,686	¢.	\$ 287.686	
Tax increment financing projects					43	49,570	\$ -	\$ 287,686 49,570	
Debt service						53,587	903,517	957,104	
Other purposes						201,874	•	201,874	
Unrestricted						598,065	1,296,748	1,894,813	
Total cash basis net assets					\$	1,190,782	\$ 2,200,265	\$3,391,047	

CITY OF HARTLEY

STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS, DISBURSEMENTS AND CHANGES IN CASH BALANCES

GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS

AS OF AND FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2007

Exhibit B

		Special Revenue			
		***************************************	Library	¢.	
		Road	Expendable		
	<u>General</u>	<u>Use</u>	Trust	Non-major	Total
Receipts:					
Property taxes	\$ 223,176	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 108,230	\$ 331,406
Tax increment financing collections	_	-		51,597	51,597
Other city tax		-	are	133,908	133,908
Licenses and permits	4,822	••	••	-	4,822
Use of money and property	77,073	-	15,248	tee	92,321
Intergovernmental	69,047	144,437	Nace .	99,670	313,154
Charges for service	81,220	_		API	81,220
Special assessments	1,433	←	-	7,318	8,751
Miscellaneous	19,588	***	520	320	20,428
Total receipts	476,359	144,437	15,768	401,043	1,037,607
Disbursements:					
Operating:					
Public safety	320,624		-		320,624
Public works	62,086	94,917	_	**	157,003
Culture and recreation	149,218	- 19-7 A. (21,792		171,010
Community and economic development	579	~	س <i>د ۱۰ و ۱ سد</i> س	203,669	204,248
General government	77,679	***		200 2 3 CO	77,679
Debt service	~	,		55,580	55,580
Total disbursements			21.702		
1 otat disouisements	610,186	94,917	21,792	259,249	986,144
Excess (deficiency) of receipts					
over expenditures	(133,827)	49,520	(6,024)	141,794	51,463
Other financing sources (uses):					
Operating transfers in	113,190		-	129,366	242,556
Operating transfers out		1997	-	(369,832)	(369,832)
Total other financing sources (uses)	113,190	ju-	194	(240,466)	(127,276)
Net change in cash balances	(20,637)	49,520	(6,024)	(98,672)	(75,813)
Cash balances beginning of year	335,428	238,166	289,298	403,703	1,266,595
Cash balances end of year	\$314,791	\$ 287,686	\$ 283,274	\$ 305,031	\$1,190,782 (Continued)

CITY OF HARTLEY STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS, DISBURSEMENTS AND CHANGES IN CASH BALANCES GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS AS OF AND FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2007

Exhibit B (Continued)

	Special Revenue						
		Road	Library Expendable				
	<u>General</u>	<u>Use</u>	Trust	N	on-major	Total	
Cash Basis Fund Balances							
Reserved for debt service	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	S	53,587	\$ 53,58	87
Unreserved:							
General	314,791	**	***		enh	314,79	91
Special revenue	149)	287,686	283,274		162,692	733,65	52
Permanent	***	W4	MATERIAL PROPERTY AND ADDRESS		88,752	88,75	52
Total cash basis fund balances	\$314,791	\$287,686	\$ 283,274	\$	305,031	\$1,190,78	32

Exhibit C

CITY OF HARTLEY STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS, DISBURSEMENTS AND CHANGES IN CASH BALANCES PROPRIETARY FUNDS AS OF AND FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2007

	Sewer	Electric	Gas	Cable	Non-major	Total
Operating Receipts:	_					
Use of money and property	\$ -	\$ 1,060	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,960	\$ 3,020
Charges for service	197,307	1,050,061	1,032,711	60	332,254	2,612,393
Miscellaneous	491	15,892	10,455	117,170	22,869	166,877
Total operating receipts	197,798	1,067,013	1,043,166	117,230	357,083	2,782,290
Operating Disbursements:						
Business type activities	183,588	1,175,942	969,149	9,615	327,530	2,665,824
Excess (deficiency) of operating receipts						
over operating disbursements	14,210	(108,929)	74,017	107,615	29,553	116,466
Non-operating receipts (disbursements):						
Interest on investments	17.008	61,940	7.203	15,924	13.850	115,925
Debt service	(116,980)	(198,733)	-	(116,770)	(40,105)	(472,588)
Net non-operating receipts (disbursements)	(99,972)	(136,793)	7,203	(100,846)	(26,255)	(356,663)
Excess (deficiency) of receipts						
over disbursements	(85,762)	(245,722)	81,220	6,769	3,298	(240,197)
Operating transfers in	124,092	**	*	_	25.415	149.507
Operating transfers out	-	(10,178)	(12,053)	~	-	(22,231)
	124,092	(10,178)	(12,053)	-	25,415	127,276
Net change in cash balances	38.330	(755 000)	60.365	6.760	90 713	/# 20 ho ()
Cash balances beginning of year	251,145	(255,900) 1,360,167	69,167 162,705	6,769	28,713	(112,921)
** *** ***				252,404	286,765	2,313,186
Cash balances end of year	\$ 289,475	\$ 1,104,267	<u>\$ 231,872</u>	\$ 259,173	\$ 315,478	\$ 2,200,265
Cash Basis Fund Balances						
Reserved for debt service	\$ 170,516	\$ 484,376	\$ -	\$ 169,283	\$ 79,342	\$ 903,517
Unreserved	118,959	619,891	231,872	89,890	236,136	1,296,748
Total cash basis fund balances	\$ 289,475	\$ 1,104,267	\$ 231,872	\$ 259,173	\$ 315,478	\$ 2,200,265

See notes to financial statements.

CITY OF HARTLEY

Exhibit D

STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS, DISBURSEMENTS AND CHANGES IN CASH BALANCES

FIDUCIARY FUNDS

AS OF AND FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2007

	Agency Fund- Hart <u>2020</u>		
Receipts: Intergovernmental Miscellaneous	\$ 5,000 416 5,416		
Disbursements: Community and economic development	8,998		
Net change in cash balances	(3,582)		
Cash balances beginning of year	12,905		
Cash balances end of year	\$ 9,323		
Cash Basis Fund Balances Reserved: Agency fund	\$ 9,323		

1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

City of Hartley is a political subdivision of the State of Iowa located in O'Brien County. It was first incorporated in 1888 and operates under the Home Rule provisions of the Constitution of Iowa. The City operates under the Mayor-Council form of government with the Mayor and Council Members elected on a non-partisan basis. The City provides numerous services to citizens including public safety, public works, culture and recreation, community and economic development, general government services, and business type activities.

A. Reporting Entity

For financial reporting purposes, City of Hartley has included all funds, organizations, agencies, boards, commissions, and authorities. The City has also considered all potential component units for which it is financially accountable, and other organizations for which the nature and significance of their relationship with the City are such that exclusion would cause the City's financial statements to be misleading or incomplete. The Governmental Accounting Standards Board has set forth criteria to be considered in determining financial accountability. These criteria include appointing a voting majority of an organization's governing body, and (1) the ability of the City to impose its will on that organization, or (2) the potential for the organization to provide specific benefits to, or impose specific financial burdens on, the City. The City has no component units which meet the Governmental Accounting Standards Board criteria.

<u>Joint Ventures</u> - City of Hartley has a 54% interest in a joint venture with City of Sanborn to provide garbage collection service. The cities participate in the collection of garbage, which is under the general management of one representative of each City Council. The following information summarizes the activity of the joint venture through June 30, 2007:

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receipte.	
Contributions from other governments:	
City of Hartley	\$ 54,000
City of Sanborn	46,000
Rent	500
Miscellaneous	834
Interest	311
	101,645
Disbursements:	
Salaries	53,056
Benefits	23,513
Workers compensation insurance	5,072
Property insurance	4,645
Diesel fuel	13,173
Truck maintenance and repairs	6,803
Professional fees	302
Miscellaneous	1,036
	107,600
Net	(5,955)
Balance, beginning of year	6,475
Balance, end of year	\$520

City of Hartley has a 54% interest of the assets, property and equipment, equity, and net income.

1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES - (Continued)

A. Reporting Entity - (Continued)

City of Hartley also has a 31.7% interest in Community Cable Television Agency of O'Brien County, a joint venture with the Cities of Paullina, Primghar, and Sanborn to provide cable television, telephone, and internet services. The cities participate in providing services, which is under the general management of one representative of each City Council. The City's share of equity in this organization as of June 30, 2006, is \$270,283.

Jointly Governed Organizations -The City also participates in several jointly governed organizations that provide goods or services to the citizenry of the City but do not meet the criteria of a joint venture since there is no ongoing financial interest or responsibility by the participating governments. City officials are members of or appoint representatives to the following boards and commissions: O'Brien County Emergency Management Commission, O'Brien County E911 Service Board, O'Brien County Assessor's Conference Board, and Northwest Iowa Area Solid Waste Agency. Payments made to Northwest Iowa Area Solid Waste Agency during the year ended June 30, 2007, were \$17,726.

B. Basis of Presentation

Government-wide Financial Statements - The Statement of Activities and Net Assets reports information on all of the non-fiduciary activities of the City. For the most part, the effect of interfund activity has been removed from this statement. Governmental activities, which are supported by tax and intergovernmental revenues, are reported separately from business type activities, which rely to a significant extent on fees and charges for services.

The Statement of Activities and Net Assets presents the City's non-fiduciary net assets. Net assets are reported in two categories:

Restricted net assets result when constraints placed on net asset use are either externally imposed or imposed by law through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation.

Unrestricted net assets consist of net assets that do not meet the definition of the preceding category. Unrestricted net assets often have constraints on resources imposed by management, which can be removed or modified.

The Statement of Activities and Net Assets demonstrates the degree to which the direct disbursements of a given function are offset by program receipts. Direct disbursements are those clearly identifiable with a specific function. Program receipts include (1) charges to customers or applicants who purchase, use or directly benefit from goods, services, or privileges provided by a given function and (2) grants, contributions, and interest on investments restricted to meeting the operational or capital requirements of a particular function. Property tax and other items not properly included among program receipts are reported instead as general receipts.

<u>Fund Financial Statements</u> - Separate financial statements are provided for governmental funds and proprietary funds. Major individual governmental funds and major individual enterprise funds are reported as separate columns in the fund financial statements. All remaining governmental funds are aggregated and reported as non-major governmental funds.

1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES - (Continued)

B. <u>Basis of Presentation</u> - (Continued)

The City reports the following major governmental funds:

The General Fund is the general operating fund of the City. All general tax receipts and other receipts not allocated by law or contractual agreement to some other fund are accounted for in this fund. From the fund are paid the general operating disbursements, the fixed charges, and the capital improvement costs that are not paid from other funds.

Special Revenue:

The Road Use Fund is used to account for road construction and maintenance.

The Library Expendable Trust Fund is used to account for contributions from citizens to be used for library projects.

The City reports the following major proprietary funds:

The Sewer Fund accounts for the operation and maintenance of the City's waste water treatment and sanitary sewer system.

The Electric Fund accounts for the operation and maintenance of the City's electric system.

The Gas Fund accounts for the operation and maintenance of the City's gas system.

The Cable Fund accounts for receipts and disbursements from the City's cable television system as maintained by Community Cable Television Agency of O'Brien County.

The City also reports the following fiduciary fund:

The Agency fund is used to account for fiduciary assets held by the City in a custodial capacity or as an agent on behalf of others.

C. Measurement Focus and Basis of Accounting

City of Hartley maintains its financial records on the basis of cash receipts and disbursements, and the financial statements of the City are prepared on that basis. The cash basis of accounting does not give effect to accounts receivable, accounts payable, and accrued items. Accordingly, the financial statements do not present financial position and results of operations of the funds in accordance with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles.

Under the terms of grant agreements, the City funds certain programs by a combination of specific cost-reimbursement grants, categorical block grants, and general receipts. Thus, when program disbursements are paid, there are both restricted and unrestricted cash basis net assets available to finance the program. It is the City's policy to first apply cost-reimbursement grant resources to such programs, followed by categorical block grants, and then by general receipts.

1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES - (Continued)

C. Measurement Focus and Basis of Accounting – (Continued)

Proprietary funds distinguish operating receipts and disbursements from non-operating items. Operating receipts and disbursements generally result from providing services and producing and delivering goods in connection with a proprietary fund's principal ongoing operations. All receipts and disbursements not meeting this definition are reported as non-operating receipts and disbursements.

D. Budgets and Budgetary Accounting

The budgetary comparison and related disclosures are reported as Required Supplementary Information. During the year ended June 30, 2007, disbursements exceeded amounts budgeted in the public safety function.

2. DEPOSITS

The City's deposits in banks at June 30, 2007, were entirely covered by Federal depository insurance or by the State Sinking Fund in accordance with Chapter 12C of the Code of Iowa. This chapter provides for additional assessments against the depositories to insure there will be no loss of public funds.

The City is authorized by statute to invest public funds in obligations of the United States government, its agencies and instrumentalities; certificates of deposit or other evidences of deposit at federally insured depository institutions approved by the City Council; prime eligible bankers acceptances; certain high rated commercial paper; perfected repurchase agreements; certain registered open-end management investment companies; certain joint investment trusts; and warrants or improvement certificates of a drainage district.

The City had no investments meeting the disclosure requirements of Governmental Auditing Standards Board Statement Number 3, as amended by Statement 40.

<u>Interest rate risk</u> - The City's investment policy limits the investment of operating funds (funds expected to be expended in the current budget year or within 15 months of receipt) to instruments that mature within 397 days. Funds not identified as operating funds may be invested in investments with maturities longer than 397 days, but the maturities shall be consistent with the needs and use of the City.

3. NOTES PAYABLE

Annual debt service requirements to maturity for revenue, general obligation, and special assessment notes are as follows:

Year Ending	Reven	ue Notes	Revenue Capit	al Loan Notes	General Oblig	ration Notes
June 30,	Principal	Interest	Principal	Interest	Principal	Interest
2008	\$ 93,000	\$ 66,375	\$ 195,000	\$122,707	\$35,000	\$11,190
2009	96,000	63,303	200,000	114,203	35,000	9,580
2010	98,000	60,070	210,000	105,230	35,000	7,935
2011	100,000	56,697	220,000	95,442	40,000	6,255
2012	102,000	53,198	230,000	85,036	40,000	4,295
2013-2017	576,000	207,092	1,335,000	240,925	45,000	2,295
2018-2022	523,000	103,642	220,000	16,258	***	***
2023-2025	326,000	21,548	· -	-	-	**
Total	\$ 1,914,000	\$631,925	\$2,610,000	\$779,801	\$230,000	\$41,550

3. NOTES PAYABLE - (Continued)

Year Ending	Special Asse	ssment Notes	Т	Total
<u>June 30,</u>	Principal	<u>Interest</u>	<u>Principal</u>	<u>Interest</u>
2008	\$10,000	\$1,480	\$ 333,000	\$ 201,752
2009	10,000	895	341,000	187,981
2010	10,000	300	353,000	173,535
2011	***	unq	360,000	158,394
2012		***	372,000	142,529
2013-2017	•		1,956,000	450,312
2018-2022	-	400	743,000	119,900
2023-2025		-	326,000	21,548
Total	\$30,000	\$2,675	\$4,784,000	\$1,455,95 1

The resolutions providing for the issuance of revenue notes include the following provisions:

- A. The notes will only be redeemed from the future earnings of the enterprise activity and the note holders hold a lien on the future earnings of the funds.
- B. Sufficient monthly transfers shall be made to separate electric, water, and telecommunication revenue note sinking accounts within the Enterprise Funds for the purpose of making the note principal and interest payments when due.
- C. The City is to establish separate Electric, Water, and Telecommunication, Principal and Interest Reserve Accounts into which there shall be set apart and paid at the time of delivery of the obligations the sum of \$190,000 for electric and \$40,000 for water. Sufficient monthly transfers shall be made to the telecommunication reserve account in an amount equal to twenty five percent of the monthly sinking fund transfers.
- D. Additional monthly transfers of \$1,650 to the Electric Improvement Fund and \$1,000 to the Water Improvement Fund shall be made until the sum of \$150,000 and \$36,000 has been accumulated, respectively. These accounts are restricted for the purpose of paying for necessary repairs, improvements, and extensions to the system.

4. OPERATING LEASE

The city leases a copier system. Rental expense incurred for this lease was \$1,039 for the year ended June 30, 2007. Minimum amounts payable under this operating lease are as follows:

Year	
Ended	
<u>June 30.</u>	Amount
2008	\$4,157
2009	4,157
2010	4,157
2011	4,157
2012	3,117

5. PENSION AND RETIREMENT BENEFITS

The City contributes to the Iowa Public Employees Retirement System (IPERS), which is a cost-sharing multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan administered by the State of Iowa. IPERS provides retirement and death benefits which are established by State statute to plan members and beneficiaries. IPERS issues a publicly available financial report that includes financial statements and required supplementary information. The report may be obtained by writing to IPERS, P.O. Box 9117, Des Moines, Iowa, 50306-9117.

Most regular plan members are required to contribute 3.70% of their annual covered salary and the City is required to contribute 5.75% of covered salary. Certain employees in special risk occupations and the City contribute an actuarially determined contribution rate. Contribution requirements are established by State statute. The City's contribution to IPERS for the years ended June 30, 2007, 2006, and 2005, were \$33,397, \$33,184, and \$33,319 respectively, equal to the required contributions for each year.

6. COMPENSATED ABSENCES

City employees accumulate a limited amount of earned but unused vacation and sick leave hours for subsequent use or for payment upon termination, retirement, or death. These accumulations are not recognized as disbursements by the City until used or paid. The City's approximate liability for earned vacation and sick leave termination payments payable to employees at June 30, 2007, primarily relating to the Enterprise Funds, is as follows:

Type of Benefit	Amount
Vacation	\$ 20,611
Sick leave	149,694
Total	<u>\$170.305</u>

Sick leave is payable when used or upon retirement or death. If paid upon retirement or death, the total accumulated hours are paid at the then effective hourly rate for that employee. This liability has been computed based on rates of pay at June 30, 2007.

7. INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENTS

The City has entered into an agreement with Northwest Iowa Area Solid Waste Agency, in accordance with Chapter 28E of the Code of Iowa, for disposal of solid waste from within the City. Payments under this agreement were \$17,726 for the year ended June 30, 2007.

State and federal laws and regulations require the Agency to place a final cover on its landfill site when it stops accepting waste and to perform certain maintenance and monitoring functions at the site for thirty years after closure. The closure and post-closure costs to the agency have been estimated at \$1,866,468 as of June 30, 2007, and the Agency has begun to accumulate resources to fund these costs. As of June 30, 2007, deposits of \$1,315,329 are held for these purposes. No estimate has been made regarding the effect of future assessments to the City.

8. EQUITY IN COOPERATIVE

City of Hartley is a member of the Missouri Basin Municipal Electric Cooperative Association. The City's share of equity in this cooperative at June 30, 2007, consists of the following:

Transmission capacity	\$305,487
Members' advances for transmission capacity	209,048
Other members' capital	14,197
Membership	100
*	<u>\$528,832</u>

<u>Transmission Capacity</u> - Transmission capacity is stated at cost and consists of contributions made under the Transmission Agreement for the NIPCO transmission system. Transmission capacity is being amortized on a straight-line basis over thirty-five years.

Members' Advances for Transmission Capacity - Members' advances for transmission capacity consist of contributions by the members and net interest earned on investments allocated to the members. These advances from the participating Transmission Members are being held for future transmission capacity contributions by the Association in its capacity as agent for these members.

Other Members' Capital - Other members' capital consists of patronage dividends declared by NIPCO, but unpaid.

9. INTER-FUND TRANSFERS

The detail of inter-fund transfers for the year ended June 30, 2007, is as follows:

<u>Transfer to</u>	Transfer from	<u>Amount</u>
General	Special Revenue:	
Solidad	Employee Benefit	\$ 80.959
	Local Option Sales Tax	10,000
	Enterprise:	
	Electric	10,178
	Gas	12,053
		113,190
Debt Service	Special Revenue:	
	Local Option Sales Tax	42,540
Economic Development	Special Revenue:	
•	Local Option Sales Tax	86,826
Water	Special Revenue:	
	Tax Increment Financing	25,415
Sewer	Special Revenue:	
	Tax Increment Financing	124,092
	Ţ	\$392,063

Transfers generally move resources from the fund statutorily required to collect the resources to the fund statutorily required to disburse the resources.

10. RISK MANAGEMENT

City of Hartley is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts; theft, damage to, and destruction of assets; errors and omissions; injuries to employees; and natural disasters. These risks are covered by the purchase of commercial insurance. The City assumes liability for any deductibles and claims in excess of coverage limitations. Settled claims from these risks have not exceeded commercial insurance coverage in any of the past three fiscal years.

11. PROMISSORY NOTES

On April 6, 1998, City of Hartley received two promissory notes from Hartley Housing Associates, Limited Partnership, in the amounts of \$40,000 and \$30,000 with interest at two percent and one percent, respectively. Repayment terms are \$2,049 and \$2,164 annually respectively, beginning May 1, 1999, with final payment coming due on May 1, 2013. However, because of limited "surplus cash" available there has only been one payment made on each of these notes since inception. The note agreement does allow this to occur but does stipulate that any unpaid portion shall accrue interest. These notes are secured by mortgages on residential lots owned by the borrower. The funds are to be used to develop affordable rental housing.

12. CONSTRUCTION CONTRACTS AND COMMITMENTS

The City has entered into the following contracts which were not completed as of June 30, 2007.

		Amount	Remaining
	Total	Paid	Commitment
	Contract	As of	As of
Project	<u>Amount</u>	<u>6-30-07</u>	6-30-07
Electric Distribution Improvement	237,783	222,884	14,899

The remaining commitments on this project will be financed with funds on hand.

13. ASSISTED LIVING FACILITY REVENUE BONDS

The City has approved issuing up to \$1,400,000 of assisted living facility revenue bonds under the provisions of Chapter 419 of the Code of Iowa, of which \$548,646 is outstanding at June 30, 2007. The bonds and related interest are payable solely from the revenues of Community Memorial Health Center Association and do not constitute liabilities of the City.

REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

CITY OF HARTLEY BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULE OF RECEIPTS, DISBURSEMENTS,

AND CHANGES IN BALANCES -

BUDGET AND ACTUAL (CASH BASIS) - ALL GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS AND PROPRIETARY FUNDS

REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2007

	F	mmental unds ctual	Proprietary Funds <u>Actual</u>		I	<u>otal</u>	•	Budgeted Original	Am	ounts Final	Final to Total <u>Variance</u>	
Receipts:												
Property tax	\$	331,406	\$ -			31,406	\$	328,411	5	328,411	\$	2,995
Tax increment financing collections		51,597	-			51,597		47,000		47,000		4,597
Other city tax		133,908	~		1.	33,908		98,000		98,000		35,908
Licenses and permits		4,822				4,822		1,975		1,975		2,847
Use of money and property		92,321	118	,945		11,266		85,180		85,180		126,086
Intergovernmental		313,154				13,154		235,274		310,274		2,880
Charges for service		81,220	2,612	,393	2,6	93,613		2,932,350	2	2,932,350	(238,737)
Special assessments		8,751				8,751		10,000		10,000		(1,249)
Miscellaneous		20,428	166	,877		87,305		171,568	*******	171,568		15,737
Total receipts	1,	,037,607	2,898	,215	3,9.	35,822		3,909,758	3	,984,758		(48,936)
Disbursements:												
Public safety		320,624	_		3.	20,624		303,304		303,304		(17,320)
Public works		157,003	~		1.	57,003		164,797		264,797		107,794
Culture and recreation		171,010	-		1	71,010		223,421		223,421		52,411
Community and economic development		204,248	-		2	04,248		110,338		255,338		51,090
General government		77,679	-			77,679		115,126		115,126		37,447
Debt service		55,580	-			55,580		55,580		55,580		~
Business type activities		_	3,138	412	3,1	38,412		3,520,051	3	,670,051	-	531,639
Total disbursements		986,144	3,138	,412	4,1	24,556		4,492,617	_4	,887,617		763,061
Excess (deficiency) of receipts over disbursements		51,463	(240	,197)	(1)	88,734)		(582,859)		(902,859)		714,125
Other financing sources (uses), net		(127,276)	127	,276		~		÷		-		**
Excess (deficiency) of receipts and other financing sources over disbursements and other financing uses		(75,813)	(112	,921)	(1	88,734)		(582,859)		(902,859)		714,125
Balances, beginning of year]	,266,595	2,313	,186	3,5	79,781		3,119,407	3	,119,407		460,374
Balances, end of year	\$ 1	,190,782	\$ 2,200	,265	\$3,3	91,047	\$	2,536,548	\$ 2	1,216,548	\$ 1.	174,499

CITY OF HARTLEY NOTES TO REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION - BUDGETARY REPORTING JUNE 30, 2007

The budgetary comparison is presented as Required Supplementary Information in accordance with Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statement No. 41 for governments with significant budgetary perspective differences resulting from not being able to present budgetary comparisons for the General Fund and each major Special Revenue Fund.

In accordance with the Code of Iowa, the City Council annually adopts a budget on the cash basis following required public notice and hearing for all funds except Internal Service Funds and Fiduciary Funds. The annual budget may be amended during the year utilizing similar statutorily prescribed procedures.

Formal and legal budgetary control is based upon ten major classes of disbursements known as functions, not by fund. These ten functions are: public safety, public works, health and social services, culture and recreation, community and economic development, general government, debt service, capital projects, business type activities, and non-program. Function disbursements required to be budgeted include disbursements for the General Fund, the Special Revenue Funds, the Debt Service Fund, the Capital Projects Funds, and the Proprietary Funds. Although the budget document presents function disbursements by fund, the legal level of control is at the aggregated function level, not by fund. During the year, one budget amendment increased budgeted receipts by \$75,000 and disbursements by \$395,000. The budget amendment is reflected in the final budgeted amounts.

During the year ended June 30, 2007, disbursements exceeded the amount budgeted in the public safety function.

OTHER SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

Schedule 1

CITY OF HARTLEY SCHEDULE OF CASH RECEIPTS, DISBURSEMENTS AND CHANGES IN CASH BALANCES NONMAJOR GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS AS OF AND FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2007

		\$	Special Reve	nue		Debt	Service	Permanent	
		Local	Tax		Owner	~~	Central	Cemetery	•
	Employee	Option	Increment	Economic	Occupied	Library	Avenue	Perpetual	
	Benefits	Sales Tax	Financing	Development	Rehab	Expansion	<u>lmprovement</u>	Care	<u>Total</u>
Receipts:									
Property taxes	\$108,230	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 108,230
Tax increment financing collections	**	-	51,597	-	~	-	-	-	51,597
Other city tax		133,908	-	*	•	~	-		133,908
Intergovernmental	^	•	-	~	99,670	~	-	•	99,670
Special assessments	÷	-	-	-	-	÷	7,318	-	7,318
Miscellaneous				-	See Transport Control of Control	-		320	320
Total receipts	108,230	133,908	51,597	*	99,670		7,318	320	401,043
Disbursements:									
Operating:									
Community and economic development	-	-		88,279	115,390	-	-		203,669
Debt service		*		-	,,	42,940	12,640	-	55,580
Total disbursements				88,279	115,390	42,940	12,640		259,249
Excess (deficiency) of revenues									
over disbursements	108,230	133,908	51,597	(88,279)	_(15,720)	(42,940)	(5,322)	320	141,794
Other financing sources (uses):						-			
Operating transfers in	*			86,826	-	42,540			129,366
Operating transfers out	(80,959)	(139,366)	(149,507)		**	_	-	~	(369,832)
Total other financing sources (uses)	(80,959)	(139,366)	(149,507)	86,826	•	42,540	## The second se		(240,466)
Net change in cash balances	27,271	(5,458)	(97.910)	(1,453)	(15,720)	(400)	(5,322)	320	(98,672)
Cash balances beginning of year	15,779	71,507	147,480	5,694	15,502	33,665	25,644	88,432	403,703
Cash balances end of year	\$ 43,050	\$ 66,049	\$ 49,570	\$ 4,241	\$ (218)	\$ 33,265	\$ 20,322	\$ 88,752	<u>\$ 305,031</u>
Cash Basis Fund Balances									
Reserved for debt service Unreserved:	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 33,265	\$ 20,322	\$ -	\$ 53,587
Special Revenue	43,050	66,049	49,570	4,241	(218)	~	+	_	162,692
Permanent	_		~	-	-	>	-	88,752	88,752
Total cash basis fund balances	\$ 43,050	\$ 66,049	\$ 49,570	\$ 4,241	\$ (218)	\$ 33,265	\$ 20,322	\$ 88,752	\$ 305,031

CITY OF HARTLEY SCHEDULE OF CASH RECEIPTS, DISBURSEMENTS, AND CHANGES IN CASH BALANCES NONMAJOR PROPRIETARY FUNDS

AS OF AND FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2007

Schedule 2

	Water	Solid <u>Waste</u>	Consumer <u>Deposit</u>	<u>Total</u>
Operating receipts:				
Use of money and property	\$ -	\$ 1,960	\$ -	\$ 1,960
Charges for service	214,829	117,425	44.	332,254
Miscellaneous	2,536	2,153	18,180	22,869
Total operating receipts	217,365	121,538	18,180	357,083
Operating disbursements:				
Business type activities	218,730	90,823	17,977	327,530
Excess (deficiency) of operating receipts				
over operating disbursements	(1,365)	30,715	203	29,553
Non-operating receipts (disbursements)				
Interest on investments	11,858	1,992		13,850
Debt service	(40,105)	Am.	Magna Sport of the Commission	(40,105)
Net non-operating receipts (disbursements)	(28,247)	1,992	See Action and Address and Add	(26,255)
Excess (deficiency) of receipts over				
disbursements	(29,612)	32,707	203	3,298
Operating transfers in	25,415	pide" palapakangkangkangkangkangkangkangkangkangkan	An Arthur Market Market V	25,415
Net change in cash balances	(4,197)	32,707	203	28,713
Cash balances beginning of year	207,890	40,489	38,386	286,765
Cash balances end of year	\$203,693	\$ 73,196	\$ 38,589	\$ 315,478
Cash Basis Fund Balances				
Reserved for debt service	\$ 79,342	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 79,342
Unreserved	124,351	73,196	38,589	236,136
Total cash basis fund balances	\$ 203,693	\$ 73,196	\$ 38,589	\$ 315,478

See accompanying independent auditor's report.

CITY OF HARTLEY SCHEDULE OF INDEBTEDNESS YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2007

Obligation	Date of Issue	Interest <u>Rates</u>	Amount Originally Issued	Balance Beginning Of Year	Issued During <u>Year</u>	Redeemed During <u>Year</u>	Balance End Of <u>Year</u>	Interest <u>Paid</u>	Interest Due and <u>Unpaid</u>
Revenue Notes; Water Sewer Sewer	November 1, 2003 July 20, 2004 December 2, 2004	3.45 - 5.20% 3.00% 3.00%	\$ 400,000 1,300,000 432,000	\$ 340,000 1,252,000 414,000	\$ -	\$ 25,000 50,000 17,000	\$ 315,000 1,202,000 397,000	\$ 15,105 37,560 12,420	-
Revenue Capital Loan Notes: Electric Telecommunication	February 1, 2001 March 1, 2004	5.05 - 5.55% 3.05 - 4.90%	\$2,132,000 \$1,900,000 1,300,000	\$ 2,006,000 \$ 1,635,000 1,160,000	\$ -	\$ 92,000 \$ 115,000 70,000	\$1,914,000 \$1,520,000 1,090,000	\$ 65,085 \$ 83,733 46,770	\$ -
General Obligation Notes; Library	June 1, 2001	4.60 - 5.10%	\$ 3,200,000	\$ 2,795,000		\$ 185,000	\$ 230,000	\$ 130,503 \$ 12,540	
Special Assessment: Street Improvement	September 1, 2000	5.80 - 6.00%	\$ 92,000	\$ 40,000	\$	<u>\$ 10,000</u>	\$ 30,000	\$ 2,340	S -

CITY OF HARTLEY NOTE MATURITIES JUNE 30, 2007

	Revenue Notes								Special A		Capital Loan Notes						
	Wat	er No	tes	Sew	er N	otes	Sev	ver	Notes	Street Im	provement	Electr	ric N	otes	Telecommunication Notes		
Year	Issued No	vembe	r 1, 2003	Issued J	ıly 2	<u> 2004</u>	Issued December 2, 2004		Issued September 1, 2000		Issued February 1, 2001			Issued March 1, 2004			
Ending	Interest			Interest			Interest			Interest		Interest			Interest		
<u>June 30,</u>	Rates	A	mount	Rates	Ĺ	Amount	Rates		Amount	Rates	Amount	Rates	é	Amount	Rates		Amount
2008	3.45%	\$	25,000	3.00%	\$	51,000	3.00%	\$	17,000	5.80%	\$ 10,000	5.05%	\$	120,000	3.05%	S	75,000
2009	3.70		25,000	3.00		53,000	3.00		18,000	5.90	10,000	5.10		125,000	3.25		75,000
2010	4.00		25,000	3.00		55,000	3.00		18,000	6.00	10,000	5.15		130,000	3.50		80,000
2011	4.25		25,000	3.00		56,000	3.00		19,000		-	5.20		140,000	3.70		80,000
2012	4.45		25,000	3.00		58,000	3.00		19,000		ų.	5.25		145,000	3.85		85,000
2013	4.60		30,000	3.00		60,000	3.00		20,000		-	5.30		155,000	4.00		85,000
2014	4.75		30,000	3.00		61,000	3.00		20,000		•	5.40		165,000	4.15		90,000
2015	4.90		30,000	3.00		63,000	3.00		21,000		•	5.45		170,000	4.30		95,000
2016	5.00		30,000	3.00		65,000	3.00		22,000		~	5.50		180,000	4.45		100,000
2017	5.10		35,000	3.00		67,000	3.00		22,000			5.55		190,000	4.60		105,000
2018	5.20		35,000	3.00		69,000	3.00		23,000		Į.			v	4.75		105,000
2019			~	3.00		71,000	3.00		24,000		~			-	4.90		115,000
2020			~	3.00		73,000	3.00		24,000		-			•			-
2021			-	3.00		75,000	3.00		25,000		-			-			-
2022			•	3.00		78,000	3.00		26,000		-			-			-
2023			*	3.00		80,000	3.00		26,000		_						•
2024			-	3.00		82,000	3.00		27,000		•			-			-
2025				3.00		85,000	3.00		26,000		<u> </u>			-			~ .
		\$	315,000		\$ 1	,202,000		S	397,000		\$ 30,000		\$ 1	.520,000		5	1,090,000

CITY OF HARTLEY SCHEDULE OF RECEIPTS BY SOURCE AND

DISBURSEMENTS BY FUNCTION ALL GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS FOR THE LAST FIVE YEARS

Schedule 5

		2007		2006		<u>2005</u>	<u>2004</u>		<u>2003</u>
Receipts:									
Property tax	\$	331,406	\$	257,032	\$	258,995	\$ 268,036	\$	259,089
Tax increment financing collections		51,597		252,592		225,368	195,663		190,439
Other city tax		133,908		105,092		104,751	100,648		102,318
Licenses and permits		4,822		2,504		1,722	2,276		2,078
Use of money and property		92,321		71,301		70,569	51,061		25,239
Intergovernmental		313,154		291,785		222,787	193,663		183,300
Charges for service		81,220		76,163		59,127	58,675		85,040
Special assessments		8,751		10,920		14,771	26,674		16,620
Miscellaneous		20,428	- ANAIA	36,494	*****	328,814	42,931		28,748
Total	\$1	,037,607	\$1	,103,883	\$1	1,286,904	\$ 939,627	\$	892,871
Disbursements:									
Operating:									
Public safety	\$	320,624	\$	198,068	\$	239,950	\$ 215,464	S	345,606
Public works		157,003		121,779		128,081	337,381		164,224
Culture and recreation		171,010		186,992		149,383	163,893		171,509
Community and economic development		204,248		137,104		64,821	107,193		2,791
General government		77,679		82,092		73,675	96,598		89,965
Debt service	LANA	55,580		57,460		59,300	61,000		67,503
Total	<u>\$</u>	986,144	\$	783,495	\$	715,210	\$ 981,529	\$	841,598

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Independent Auditor's Report on Internal Control over Financial Reporting
and on Compliance and Other Matters Based on an Audit of
Financial Statements Performed in Accordance with Government Auditing Standards

To the Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council Hartley, Iowa

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, the business type activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of City of Hartley, Iowa, as of and for the year ended June 30, 2007, which collectively comprise the City's basic financial statements listed in the table of contents, and have issued our report thereon dated December 14, 2007. Our report expressed an unqualified opinion on the financial statements which were prepared in conformity with an other comprehensive basis of accounting. We conducted our audit in accordance with U.S. generally accepted auditing standards and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States.

Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit, we considered City of Hartley's internal control over financial reporting as a basis for designing our auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing our opinion on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing our opinion on the effectiveness of City of Hartley's internal control over financial reporting. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of City of Hartley's internal control over financial reporting.

Our consideration of internal control over financial reporting was for the limited purpose described in the preceding paragraph and would not necessarily identify all deficiencies in internal control over financial reporting that might be significant deficiencies or material weaknesses. However, as discussed below, we identified certain deficiencies in internal control over financial reporting that we consider to be significant deficiencies and other deficiencies we consider to be material weaknesses.

A control deficiency exists when the design or operation of the control does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent or detect misstatements on a timely basis. A significant deficiency is a control deficiency, or combination of control deficiencies, that adversely affects the City's ability to initiate, authorize, record, process, or report financial data reliably in accordance with an other comprehensive basis of accounting such that there is more than a remote likelihood a misstatement of City of Hartley's financial statements that is more than inconsequential will not be prevented or detected by the City's internal control. We consider the deficiencies in internal control described in Part I of the accompanying Schedule of Findings to be significant deficiencies in internal control over financial reporting.

A material weakness is a significant deficiency, or combination of significant deficiencies, that results in more than a remote likelihood a material misstatement of the financial statements will not be prevented or detected by City of Hartley's internal control.

Our consideration of the internal control over financial reporting was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and would not necessarily identify all deficiencies in the internal control that might be significant deficiencies, and, accordingly, would not necessarily disclose all significant deficiencies that are also considered to be material weaknesses. However, of the significant deficiencies described in the Schedule of Findings, we believe items I-A-07 and I-B-07 are material weaknesses.

Compliance and Other Matters

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether City of Hartley's financial statements are free of material misstatement, we performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grants, noncompliance with which could have a direct and material effect on the determination of financial statement amounts. However, providing an opinion on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of our audit and, accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed no instances of noncompliance or other matters that are required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards*. However, we noted certain immaterial instances of noncompliance or other matters that are described in Part II of the accompanying Schedule of Findings.

Comments involving statutory and other legal matters about the City's operations for the year ended June 30, 2007, are based exclusively on knowledge obtained from procedures performed during our audit of the financial statements of the City. Since our audit was based on tests and samples, not all transactions that might have had an impact on the comments were necessarily audited. The comments involving statutory and other legal matters are not intended to constitute legal interpretations of those statutes.

City of Hartley's responses to findings identified in our audit are described in the accompanying Schedule of Findings. While we have expressed our conclusion on the City's responses, we did not audit City of Hartley's responses and, accordingly, we express no opinion on them.

This report, a public record by law, is intended solely for the information and use of the officials, employees, and citizens of City of Hartley, and other parties to whom City of Hartley may report. This report is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

We would like to acknowledge the many courtesies and assistance extended to us by personnel of City of Hartley during the course of our audit. Should you have any questions concerning any of the above matters, we shall be pleased to discuss them with you at your convenience.

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December 14, 2007

CITY OF HARTLEY SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2007

Part I: Findings Related to the Financial Statements:

INSTANCES OF NONCOMPLIANCE:

No matters were noted.

SIGNIFICANT DEFICIENCIES:

I-A-07 Segregation of Duties - One important aspect of internal control is the segregation of duties among employees to prevent an individual employee from handling duties which are incompatible. We noted that bank deposits, opening mail, recording receipts and disbursements, checks and payroll preparation, and bank reconciliations are all handled by either of two individuals.

<u>Recommendation</u> - We realize that with a limited number of office employees, segregation of duties is difficult. However, the City should review its operating procedures to obtain the maximum internal control possible under the circumstances.

Response - It is our practice to cross-train each employee on all aspects of our office. Each employee is assigned specific responsibilities. The cross-training is used primarily to allow for vacations and unexpected illnesses. We have reviewed our operating procedures and believe we have obtained the maximum internal control possible under the circumstances.

Conclusion - Response accepted.

I-B-07 Financial Reporting - Reporting financial data reliably in accordance with an other comprehensive basis of accounting (OCBOA) requires management to possess sufficient knowledge and expertise to select and apply accounting principles and prepare year-end financial statements, including footnote disclosures. Management presently lacks the qualifications and training to appropriately fulfill these responsibilities, which is a common situation in small entities.

<u>Recommendation</u> - Obtaining additional knowledge through reading relevant accounting literature and attending local professional education courses should help management significantly improve in the ability to prepare and take responsibility for reliable OCBOA financial statements.

<u>Response</u> - We will try to attend educational courses. Once the City Clerk/Administrator is back from military service, this should not be an issue.

<u>Conclusion</u> - Response accepted.

Part II: Other Findings Related to Statutory Reporting:

II-A-07 <u>Certified Budget</u> - Disbursements during the year ended June 30, 2007, exceeded amounts budgeted in the public safety function. Chapter 384.20 of the Code of Iowa states, in part, "Public monies may not be expended or encumbered except under an annual or continuing appropriation".

<u>Recommendation</u> - The budget should have been amended in accordance with Chapter 384.18 of the Code of Iowa before disbursements were allowed to exceed the budget.

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Part II: Other Findings Related to Statutory Reporting: (Continued)

II-A-07 Certified Budget - (Continued)

<u>Response</u> - We try to control costs and time by amending the budget once a year and situations occur with City expenditures that are beyond our control. The council approves all expenditures, including those over budget, at their regularly scheduled monthly meetings. We will monitor funds more closely in the future and amend the budget before expenditures exceed the budget.

Conclusion - Response accepted.

- II-B-07 <u>Questionable Disbursements</u> We noted no disbursements that may not meet the requirements of public purpose as defined in an Attorney General's opinion dated April 25, 1979.
- II-C-07 <u>Travel Expense</u> No disbursements of City money for travel expenses of spouses of City officials or employees were noted.
- II-D-07 <u>Business Transactions</u> We noted no business transactions between the City and City officials or employees.
- II-E-07 Bond Coverage Surety bond coverage of City officials and employees is in accordance with statutory provisions. The amount of coverage should be reviewed annually to insure that the coverage is adequate for current operations.
- II-F-07 <u>Council Minutes</u> No transactions were found that we believe should have been approved in the Council minutes but were not.
- II-G-07 <u>Deposits and Investments</u> No instances of non-compliance with the deposit and investment policy were noted.
- II-H-07 Revenue Notes The City has established the sinking and reserve accounts required by the electric, water, and telecommunication revenue note resolutions.
- II-I-07 <u>Excess Balances</u> The following funds have balances at June 30, 2007, which are in excess of one year's expenditures:

Special Revenue - Road Use Tax

- Library Expendable Trust

Recommendation - While it appears that these funds may have excessive balances, this can usually be justified if the City has a specific plan for future expenditures. The City should consider the necessity of maintaining these substantial balances and, where financially feasible, consider reducing the balances in an orderly manner through revenue reductions.

Response -

Road Use Tax - We have seen the cost of street improvements increase substantially. This alone has forced us to accumulate the necessary revenue to complete our street improvements.

Library Expendable Trust - This amount was received from an estate and it will be disbursed according to the library's needs, as determined by their board.

Conclusion - Response accepted.

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Part II: Other Findings Related to Statutory Reporting: (Continued)

II-J-07 <u>Financial Condition</u> - The Enterprise, 2002 Water Project Fund, had a deficit balance of \$11,563 at June 30, 2007.

<u>Recommendation</u> - The City should investigate alternatives to eliminate this deficit in order to return this fund to a sound financial position.

Response - We will be transferring funds from TIF to cover this deficit.

Conclusion - Response accepted.